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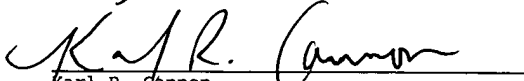
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that the shortened statutory period which was set for responding to the Office Action dated May 5, 2004, be extended for three months until November 5, 2004. Submitted herewith pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a),(3) is the fee of \$490 as required. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0836.

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Also submitted herewith is an Amendment. It is believed that entry of the enclosed Amendment will place the application in condition for allowance.

DATED this 5 day of November, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,



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